

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

RICHARD W. ARNOLD ET AL.

Division of Serial No. 09/431,730 (TI-27698.1)

Filed Herewith

For: STUD-CONE BUMP FOR PROBE TIPS USED IN KNOWN GOOD DIE CARRIERS

Art Unit

Examiner

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the first Office action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the specification:

Amend paragraph [0001] as follows:

" This application is a division of Serial No. 09/431,730, filed November 1, 1999 which claims priority based upon provisional application Serial No. 60/107,230, filed November 5, 1997 and is related to Serial No. 09/164,580, filed October 1, 1998 [(TI-22561)], the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference."

In the claims:

Cancel claims 1 to 12 without prejudice.

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